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Bulgarian Navy Information

1. [ ] the headquarters of the "Voenno Morski Flot" (Navy Fleet) was located in a 3-story villa situated on Moskovska Street, at the corner of Paris Street. 25X1
2. [ ] the headquarters of the "Voenno Dunavski Flot" (Danube Fleet) were located in Ruse in the former Tsar Osoboditel Square, in a 4-story building 100 x 60 meters in size.
3. [ ], an unidentified Danube naval detachment, strength 800-1,000 men, was based in Ruse and occupied a barracks area approximately 1,500 x 600 meters in size, located in the northern outskirts of town, just south of the Danube. 25X1
4. [ ] the following vessels moored in front of the barracks mentioned in Para. 3 above: 25X1
  - a. 4-5 motor barges; no other information available; and
  - b. 2-3 motor boats equipped with searchlights.
5. [ ] an unidentified Danube naval detachment, strength unknown, was quartered in a barracks located in the northeastern outskirts of Lom [ ] 25X1

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6. [ ] an observation post was located in the commercial port of Varna, near the railroad station. [ ] it could be easily recognized since it has a stone tower, is circular in shape, and two men are always on watch on top of it. This tower is 20-25 meters in height and is equipped with a telephone. 25X1
7. [ ] the port of Sveti Konstantin (N 43-14, E 28-00) four small warships, all of the same type. Two of them bore the names of KHRABRI and DÜRSKI. They have two cannons each, one forward and one aft. In addition to the name these vessels also had some initials on them. [ ] 25X1
8. [ ] the port of Nesebur (N 42-40, E 27-44) was being run by the Bulgarian Navy and included repair shops. 25X1
9. [ ] a radio station was located on a hill 25 meters above sea-level and approximately 100 meters south of the port of Sveti Konstantin. It includes 5-6 small masonry buildings and some wooden sheds. There are two trellis-type antennas with a triangular base and a pyramidal body, about 20-25 meters high and about 25-30 meters apart. 25X1
10. [ ] a military hospital was located in Grozdov Street, in the southeastern outskirts of Varna, near the Marine Park. It occupies three large, 4-story buildings, and several smaller 1-story buildings, some with a basement. 25X1
11. [ ] the names of two former Bulgarian admirals who were previously attached to the Varna Naval District Headquarters and were purged in 1946; 25X1
- a. Admiral Varicheskov [ ] and 25X1
- b. Admiral Dreganov, [ ]
12. [ ] coast artillery emplacements manned by the Soviet Navy (sic) were located at Obzor (N 42-49, E 27-52). These are situated on the coast, about 40 meters above sea-level, along shore. These emplacements start at a point approximately two kilometers south of Obzor and continue for about 12 kilometers until they reach Nos Emine (N 42-42, E 27-54). At several points, about 40-50 meters west of the emplacements, there are wooden barracks, 20 x 7 meters in size, for the soldiers manning the guns. This entire zone is enclosed along the entire 12 kilometers by a wire fence supported on stakes. 25X1
13. [ ] the military port of Nos Emine was occupied by the Soviet Navy (sic). 25X1
- Bulgarian Merchant Marine
14. [ ] the commercial port of Varna was equipped with four stationary cranes with a single boom. There are two railroad tracks, about one kilometer in length, which run the entire length of the port. There are 6-8 reinforced concrete warehouses approximately 80 x 25 meters in size with a twin-sloped tiled roof. These warehouses are arranged in two rows and are serviced by a railroad siding. Guard duty is carried out by a unit of the Militia quartered in the railroad station area. A wall surrounding the port is approximately one kilometer long and two meters high on the front side. The other sides of the wall were not observed by source. 25X1
15. [ ] the following: 25X1
- a. The unloading of iron reinforcement rods and iron for machinery from the GENERAL BUDYENNI, a Soviet merchant vessel; this material was to be used for the construction of Dimitrovgrad;

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- b. The unloading from a second Soviet ship, name unknown, of threshing machines; and
- c. The unloading of fish, in payment for glass, from 2-3 small Turkish vessels.
16. As of the fall of 1950, the commercial port of Burgas included six masonry warehouses arranged in a double row. [ ] the unloading of a Soviet merchant vessel, name unknown, which carried about 40 trucks, about 20 "Molotov" and "Stalin" agricultural tractors, hydraulic pumps for pouring cement under pressure, and parts for industrial conveyor belts. 25X1
17. The commercial port of Pomorie is for the use of small tonnage vessels. As of the end of 1950, a large section of land around the port has been declared off limits for civilians. [ ] 25X1
18. [ ] the commercial river port of Ruse covered an area about 2,500 x 400 meters in size. The section reserved for passenger traffic covers an area approximately 800 x 60 meters in size. The quay is made up of concrete blocks and runs the entire length of the port, including the section reserved for passenger traffic. Approximately 6-7 single-boom, stationary cranes and an undetermined number of masonry warehouses and sheds are located in the port area. The ferry boat is 250 x 14 meters in size and can carry 12 railway cars.
19. [ ] the commercial river port of Lom covered an area 2,500 x 700 meters in size and included a section 400 x 40 meters in size reserved for passenger traffic. The quay is made of concrete blocks and extends the entire length of the port. An unidentified number of stationary cranes with mobile booms and several masonry warehouses and sheds are also located here. 25X1
20. [ ] the General Directorate of Naval Shipyards was located at 2 Levski Street in Sofia. [ ] the manager was engineer Dimităr Slavov who was [ ] He had been working in the office of the director since 1930. 25X1
21. [ ] the technical management of the naval shipyards of Varna were located in the square of the National Theatre. These offices are situated in a portion of the building in which the National Bank occupies the ground and the first floors. 25X1
22. [ ] the Koralovag Naval Shipyard in Varna, subordinate to the Maritime Section of the Ministry of Transportation in Sofia (there was no Bulgarian Ministry of Merchant Marine), was directed by engineer Atanasov (fnu) and employed approximately 3,000 workers. [ ] an undetermined number of Soviet technicians have been working in the shipyard since 1948. This shipyard is engaged in the construction and repair of small tonnage vessels. There are two masonry basins approximately 300 x 20 meters in size. [ ] four electric travelling cranes with a capacity of 40 tons and a height of 20-25 meters arrived from the USSR. Two of them were installed [ ] there is a shortage of shipbuilding material. In 1949-1950 a carpentry shop with an area of approximately 1,200 square meters was constructed. A caulking section was also installed in this same building. The entire shipyard covers an area approximately 500 x 300 meters in size. Toward the end of 1950 about six or seven buildings for housing workers were completed. An additional 7-8 such buildings are under construction, each having 14-16 apartments. In view of the shortage of reinforcing rods, the completion of this project has been delayed but it should be finished within 1951. 25X1

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23. [ ] a regular passenger service was maintained between Vidin and Silistra by the DIMITROV and the VASIL KOLAROV steamers. The DIMITROV can carry 700-800 passengers and is approximately 100 meters long and 20-25 meters wide. The VASIL KOLAROV is slightly smaller than the DIMITROV. [ ] 25X1
- [ ] the travel time between Silistra and Vidin, [ ] it took about 25X1
- 20 hours to go from Vidin to Silistra, with stops at Lom, Oryakhovo, Somovit, Svishtov, Ruse, and Tutrakan. 25X1

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